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173 Miramar Ave., San Francisco I2, Calif. August I9, I950.

Lieutenant General Walter Bedell Smith:

Sir,

Our President is to be congratulated on nominating you the Chief of our Central Intelligence Agency at this critical time in our history.

General Eisenhower said everything when he called you the best chief of staff any general ever had.

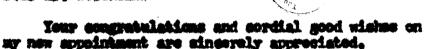
We have faith in you and our country.

Yours truly,

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Mr. Otto Waytheim 173 Miramer Avenus San Francisco 12, California

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Although I am under no illusion as to the difficulty of the position which I am shortly to assume, I am at the moment greatly heartened and encouraged by the confidence which the President has seen fit to place in me, and by the generous public support which has been made evident by such latters as yours.

Sincerely,

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